

REMARKS

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect without traverse Group III and the species of Figure 8 for further consideration by the Examiner. Claims 40-57 and 61-67 have been canceled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to pursue claims 40-57 and 61-67 in one or more divisional or continuation applications. New claims 68-91 have been added. New claims 68-80 are dependent on previously presented claim 58. Claims 58, 68, 73, and 77-81, 84, and 88-91 are readable on at least Figure 8. No new matter has been added. Applicant respectfully requests examination of claims 58-60 and 68-91.


It should be noted that pending independent claim 58 is also generic to at least the species of Figures 9, 10, 11, and 12, and pending independent claim 81 is also generic to at least the species of Figure 9. As such, Applicants reserve the right to reassert canceled claims reading on Figures 9, 10, 11, and 12 upon allowance of independent claim 58, and to reassert canceled claims reading on Figure 9 upon allowance of independent claim 81.

A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed concurrently with this amendment.

Applicants believe that this application is now in condition for allowance. Any questions regarding this application can be addressed to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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